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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 1 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 2-8 as follows:

Sul B1 2 (Amended) The method according to Claim 9, wherein said nuclease is a nuclease contained in the yeast somatic components.

Sul B1 3. (Amended) The method according to Claim 9, wherein the yeast somatic components are obtained from yeast selected from the group consisting of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and *Candida utilis*.

Sul B1 4 (Amended) The method according to Claim 9, wherein the decomposition step is conducted by digesting the yeast somatic components with nuclease added to a solution containing the yeast somatic components, at a pH value of 3~10 and at a temperature of 10-70°C.

Sul B1 N5 C5 5 (Amended) The method according to Claim 9, wherein the decomposition step is conducted by hydrolyzing at 20-100°C the yeast somatic components with alkali added to a solution containing the yeast somatic components at a normality of 0.1-5N.

6. (Amended) The method according to Claim 9, wherein the yeast somatic components are an extract obtained by physically crushing yeast using a high-pressure homogenizer and an ultrasonic disintegrator.

Sul B2 7. (Amended) The method according to Claim 9, wherein the yeast somatic components are an extract obtained from yeast using hot water at a pH value of 4~8 and at a temperature of 90-100°C, wherein sodium chloride is added to a yeast suspension with a yeast concentration of 5-25% to make a salt concentration of 1-10%.

8. (Amended) The method according to Claim 9, wherein the yeast somatic components are an extract obtained by autolyzing yeast.

Please add the following claim:

Sul B3 of: A6 9 (New) A method of manufacturing a polyamine composition, comprising the steps providing yeast somatic components selected from the group consisting of extracts obtained from yeast by physical crushing or autolysis or with hot water, and yeast RNA compositions;